

King of Kings



Dig-in Deeper

As we transition into the Royal Psalms, let's take a deeper look at **the King of Kings**. Psalm 18:1–3 opens with David's declaration of love, trust, and confidence in the Lord. These royal psalms reveal the character and reign of God's chosen King and ultimately point us to **Jesus Christ**, the true King of Kings.

I. The Son and Anointed King

Read Psalm 2

"Yet I have set My King on My holy hill of Zion."

Psalm 2 introduces the King as God's chosen and anointed ruler. Though nations rage and resist His authority, God establishes His King forever. This psalm points beyond David to Christ, the Son who reigns by divine appointment.

Reflect: How do people resist the authority of God today? In what ways do you see resistance to Christ's rule in the world and in your own heart? What does it mean for you personally to take refuge in the Son?



II. The Prayer of a King

Read Psalm 18:1–3

"I love You, O Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer..."

David begins with worship, not strategy. Before battle, before leadership, before victory, he confesses that God is his strength, refuge, and deliverer. The king's confidence is rooted not in himself but in the Lord.

Reflect:

Which description of God do you need most right now?

- My strength
- My rock
- My fortress
- My deliverer
- My shield
- My stronghold

Do you call on God first in difficulty, or only after other options fail?

III. The Victorious King

Read Psalms 20–21

“Some trust in chariots, and some in horses; but we will remember the name of the Lord our God.”

Psalm 20 is a prayer before battle, and Psalm 21 is praise after victory. Together they show that the king’s success comes from the Lord. Victory does not produce pride but worship.

Reflect:

What are the “horses and chariots” people trust in today instead of God? How can you show confidence in Christ’s victory this week? When God brings you through a struggle, is your first response relief, pride, or praise?



IV. The Righteous King

Read Psalm 72

“He will judge Your people with righteousness, and Your poor with justice.”

Psalm 72 gives a picture of the ideal king—one who rules with righteousness, justice, mercy, and compassion. He defends the needy, helps the weak, and brings peace. No earthly king fulfills this perfectly, but Jesus does.

Reflect:

How does Christ’s righteousness shape the way we should live and treat others? Who around you needs to experience the justice, mercy, and compassion of the King through your life?



V. The Priest-King

Read Psalm 110

“You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.”

Psalm 110 reveals a King who not only reigns but also serves as priest. Jesus fulfills this perfectly. He rules with authority and also intercedes for His people, bringing them near to God.

Reflect:

How does it encourage you to know that Jesus is both your King and your High Priest? What difference does Christ’s ongoing intercession make in your daily walk with Him?

VI. The Eternal King

Read Psalm 45; Psalm 89; Psalm 132

“Your throne, O God, is forever and ever.”

These psalms remind us that God’s promise to His King is everlasting. Earthly thrones rise and fall, but the reign of Christ endures forever. His kingdom is secure, His covenant is sure, and His rule will never end.

Reflect:

What fears about the future become smaller when you remember that Christ is the eternal King? How can you live with greater peace and confidence because His throne is forever?



Spiritual Discipline: Prayer & Reflection

Read **Psalm 18:1–3** slowly each day this week. Thank the Lord for being your strength, refuge, and deliverer. Then pray through the six portraits of the King:

Son, Praying King, Victorious King, Righteous King, Priest-King, Eternal King.

Closing Prayer:

King of Kings, we honor You today. You are our strength, our refuge, and our deliverer. Teach us to trust You fully and to walk in the confidence of Your reign. Cover our families, strengthen our church, and remind us daily that You are in control. Rule in our hearts, lead us in righteousness, and help us to reflect Your kingdom in all we do. In Jesus’ name, Amen.